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(application filed on or after May 29, 2000)

The Patent Term Adjustment to date is 694 day(s). If the issue fee is paid on the date that is three months after the mailing date of this notice and the patent issues on the Tuesday before the date that is 28 weeks (six and a half months) after the mailing date of this notice, the Patent Term Adjustment will be 694 day(s).

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Application No. Applicant(s) 10/731 992 OGG ET AL. Notice of Allowability Examiner Art Unit ROB WU 3628 -- The MAILING DATE of this communication appears on the cover sheet with the correspondence address--All claims being allowable, PROSECUTION ON THE MERITS IS (OR REMAINS) CLOSED in this application. If not included herewith (or previously mailed), a Notice of Allowance (PTOL-85) or other appropriate communication will be mailed in due course. THIS NOTICE OF ALLOWABILITY IS NOT A GRANT OF PATENT RIGHTS. This application is subject to withdrawal from issue at the initiative of the Office or upon petition by the applicant. See 37 CFR 1.313 and MPEP 1308. This communication is responsive to 10/28/2009. The allowed claim(s) is/are 1-7,13,19-22 and 29-35. 3. Acknowledgment is made of a claim for foreign priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119(a)-(d) or (f). b) \(\subseteq \text{Some* c} \) \(\subseteq \text{None of the:} \) a) \square All 1. T Certified copies of the priority documents have been received. 2. Certified copies of the priority documents have been received in Application No. ___ 3. Copies of the certified copies of the priority documents have been received in this national stage application from the International Bureau (PCT Rule 17.2(a)). * Certified copies not received: _____. Applicant has THREE MONTHS FROM THE "MAILING DATE" of this communication to file a reply complying with the requirements noted below. Failure to timely comply will result in ABANDONMENT of this application. THIS THREE-MONTH PERIOD IS NOT EXTENDABLE. 4. A SUBSTITUTE OATH OR DECLARATION must be submitted. Note the attached EXAMINER'S AMENDMENT or NOTICE OF INFORMAL PATENT APPLICATION (PTO-152) which gives reason(s) why the oath or declaration is deficient. CORRECTED DRAWINGS (as "replacement sheets") must be submitted. (a) Including changes required by the Notice of Draftsperson's Patent Drawing Review (PTO-948) attached 1) hereto or 2) to Paper No./Mail Date (b) including changes required by the attached Examiner's Amendment / Comment or in the Office action of Paper No./Mail Date Identifying indicia such as the application number (see 37 CFR 1.84(c)) should be written on the drawings in the front (not the back) of each sheet. Replacement sheet(s) should be labeled as such in the header according to 37 CFR 1.121(d). 6. DEPOSIT OF and/or INFORMATION about the deposit of BIOLOGICAL MATERIAL must be submitted. Note the attached Examiner's comment regarding REQUIREMENT FOR THE DEPOSIT OF BIOLOGICAL MATERIAL. Attachment(s) 1. Notice of References Cited (PTO-892) 5. Notice of Informal Patent Application 2. Notice of Draftperson's Patent Drawing Review (PTO-948) Interview Summary (PTO-413), Paper No./Mail Date Information Disclosure Statements (PTO/SB/08). 7. ☐ Examiner's Amendment/Comment Paper No./Mail Date 10/28/2009, 08/20/2007 4. T Examiner's Comment Regarding Requirement for Deposit 8. X Examiner's Statement of Reasons for Allowance of Biological Material

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Allowable Subject Matter

- Claims 1-7, 13, 19-22, 29-35 are allowed over the prior art of record.
- 2. The following is an examiner's statement of reasons for allowance:

The closest prior art of record is U.S. Pat NO 6,010,156 to Block, U.S. Pat No 6,557,755 to Pickering, Jr. et al, and U.S. Pub No 2005/0195214 to Reid et al.

Block discloses a system for producing address and postage labels.

Pickering, Jr. et al disclose the types of barcodes used on mailpieces.

Reid et al disclose the ability to print pictures in both portrait and landscape orientation on a single sheet of print material.

As per claims 1, 2, 4, 5, 7, 13, 34 and 35, the closest prior art of record taken either individually or in combination with other prior art of record fails to teach or suggest the exact dimension and layout of the labels as recited in claims 1, 2, 4, 5, 7, 13, 34 and 35. Claims 3, 29 depend upon claim 2 and have all the limitations of claim 2 and are allowable for the same reason. Claim 30 depend upon claim 4 and have all the limitations of claim 4 and are allowable for the same reason. Claims 6, 31, 32 depend upon claim 5 and have all the limitations of claim 7 and are allowable for the same reason. Claims 21, 22 depend upon claim 7 and have all the limitations of claim 13 and are allowable for the same reason.

Any comments considered necessary by applicant must be submitted no later than the payment of the issue fee and, to avoid processing delays, should preferably Application/Control Number: 10/731,992

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If attempts to reach the examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the examiner's supervisor, John Hayes can be reached on (571)272-6708. The fax phone number for the organization where this application or proceeding is assigned is 571-273-8300.

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Examiner, Art Unit 3628

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